

## **Exhibit A**



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## Typed Drawing

<b>Word Mark</b>	<b>PILL POCKETS</b>
<b>Goods and Services</b>	IC 010. US 026 039 044. G & S: Ingestible pouch sold empty for use in encapsulating and aiding in the oral administration of medications and vitamins. FIRST USE: 20020801. FIRST USE IN COMMERCE: 20020801
<b>Mark Drawing Code</b>	(1) TYPED DRAWING
<b>Serial Number</b>	78034057
<b>Filing Date</b>	November 6, 2000
<b>Current Basis</b>	1A
<b>Original Filing Basis</b>	1B
<b>Published for Opposition</b>	January 1, 2002
<b>Registration Number</b>	2673252
<b>Registration Date</b>	January 7, 2003
<b>Owner</b>	(REGISTRANT) Hayden, Linda L. INDIVIDUAL UNITED STATES 3741 Morning Glory Drive Castle Rock COLORADO 80104  (LAST LISTED OWNER) MARS, INCORPORATED INCORPORATED DELAWARE 6885 ELM STREET MCLEAN VIRGINIA 22101
<b>Assignment Recorded</b>	ASSIGNMENT RECORDED
<b>Attorney of Record</b>	Anthony Palumbo
<b>Type of Mark</b>	TRADEMARK
<b>Register</b>	PRINCIPAL
<b>Affidavit Text</b>	SECT 15. SECT 8 (6-YR). SECTION 8(10-YR) 20120629.
<b>Renewal</b>	1ST RENEWAL 20120629

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**Int. Cl.: 10**

**Prior U.S. Cls.: 26, 39, and 44**

**Reg. No. 2,673,252**

**United States Patent and Trademark Office**

**Registered Jan. 7, 2003**

**TRADEMARK  
PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

**PILL POCKETS**

HAYDEN, LINDA L. (UNITED STATES INDIVI-  
DUAL)  
3741 MORNING GLORY DRIVE  
CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104

FIRST USE 8-1-2002; IN COMMERCE 8-1-2002.

SN 78-034,057, FILED 11-6-2000.

FOR: INGESTIBLE POUCH SOLD EMPTY FOR  
USE IN ENCAPSULATING AND AIDING IN THE  
ORAL ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATIONS AND  
VITAMINS, IN CLASS 10 (U.S. CLS. 26, 39 AND 44).

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**Serial Number:** 78034057  
**Registration Number:** 2673252  
**Registration Date:** Jan 7, 2003  
**Mark:** PILL POCKETS  
**Owner:** THE NUTRO COMPANY

Jun 29, 2012

#### **NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE UNDER SECTION 8**

The declaration of use or excusable nonuse filed for the above-identified registration meets the requirements of Section 8 of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. §1058. **The Section 8 declaration is accepted.**

#### **NOTICE OF REGISTRATION RENEWAL UNDER SECTION 9**

The renewal application filed for the above-identified registration meets the requirements of Section 9 of the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. §1059. **The registration is renewed.**

**The registration will remain in force for the class(es) listed below for the remainder of the ten-year period, calculated from the registration date, unless canceled by an order of the Commissioner for Trademarks or a Federal Court.**

**Class(es):**  
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TRADEMARK SPECIALIST  
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571-272-9500

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<b>Goods and Services</b>	IC 031. US 001 046. G & S: Pet food and pet treats. FIRST USE: 20020801. FIRST USE IN COMMERCE: 20020801
<b>Standard Characters Claimed</b>	
<b>Mark Drawing Code</b>	(4) STANDARD CHARACTER MARK
<b>Serial Number</b>	85288973
<b>Filing Date</b>	April 7, 2011
<b>Current Basis</b>	1A
<b>Original Filing Basis</b>	1A
<b>Published for Opposition</b>	August 9, 2011
<b>Registration Number</b>	4045515
<b>Registration Date</b>	October 25, 2011
<b>Owner</b>	(REGISTRANT) THE NUTRO COMPANY CORPORATION CALIFORNIA 1550 W. McEwen Drive Franklin TENNESSEE 37067  (LAST LISTED OWNER) MARS, INCORPORATED INCORPORATED DELAWARE 6885 ELM STREET MCLEAN VIRGINIA 22101
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**PILL POCKETS**

**Reg. No. 4,045,515**

**Registered Oct. 25, 2011**

**Int. Cl.: 31**

**TRADEMARK**

**PRINCIPAL REGISTER**

THE NUTRO COMPANY (CALIFORNIA CORPORATION)  
1550 W. MCEWEN DRIVE  
FRANKLIN, TN 37067

FOR: PET FOOD AND PET TREATS, IN CLASS 31 (U.S. CLS. 1 AND 46).

FIRST USE 8-1-2002; IN COMMERCE 8-1-2002.

THE MARK CONSISTS OF STANDARD CHARACTERS WITHOUT CLAIM TO ANY PARTICULAR FONT, STYLE, SIZE, OR COLOR.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 2,673,252 AND 3,073,514.

SER. NO. 85-288,973, FILED 4-7-2011.

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